GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
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PREVALENCE OF CORRUPTION IN FCI
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the interests of the farmers are being neglected as a result of corruption prevalent in the Food Corporation of India (FCI);

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) the number of incidents of corruption detected in the FCI alongwith the number of officers held responsible therefor;

(d) the action taken against the officers held responsible; and

(e) the remedial steps being taken by the Government to check corruption in FCI?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) & (b): No, Sir. To protect the interests of farmers the Food Corporation of India (FCI) takes necessary steps including fixation of remunerative Minimum Support Price for foodgrains.

(c) & (d): The number of incidents of corruption cases detected against the Food Corporation of India (FCI) officers and action taken during the last three years is at Annexure - I.

(e): The remedial steps taken to check corruption by FCI are at Annexure - II.